



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE THE APPLICATION OF

Stuart H. Thomson et al.

SERIAL NO.: 10/056,572

FILED: January 24, 2002

FOR: Door Edge Protection System for  
Conventional Autorack Rail Cars

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) Examiner: S. Gordon

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) Group Art Unit No. 3612

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO  
RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT DATED APRIL 7, 2003**

Honorable Director of  
Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This paper is being filed with a request for a one month extension of time and appropriate fee pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136. Applicants respond to the Restriction Requirement of April 7, 2003, as follows:

**AMENDMENTS**

In response to the Office Action of April 7, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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